

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

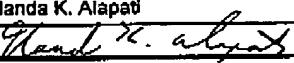
Application Number	10/088,686	<b>RECEIVED</b>
Filing Date	February 6, 2002	<b>CENTRAL FAX CENTER</b>
First Named Inventor	LIBBY et al.	<b>JAN 04 2005</b>
Group Art Unit	2873	
Examiner Name	Nguyen, Jimmy H.	
Attorney Docket No.	A202 1050.1	

This is a Request for continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

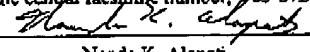
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on Page 2.

1.	<b>Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114</b>	Note: if the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendments(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).	
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Previously submitted	i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 6, 2004 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)	
		ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____	
		iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed	iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
	i. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
	ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)		
2.	<b>Miscellaneous</b>		
a.	<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1039c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)		
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
3.	<b>Fees</b>	The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.		
	i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)		
	ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)		
	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed		
c.	<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)		

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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Signature		Date	January 4, 2005

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL**

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Nanda K. Alapati

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.114. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 AND 37 CFR 1.114. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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<b>Effective on 12/8/2004, Fees pursuant to the consolidated Appropriations Act. 2005 (H.R. 4818)</b> <b>Fee Transmittal for FY 2005</b>		<b>Complete If Known</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	10/068,686
		Filing Date	February 6, 2002
		First Named Inventor	LIBBY et al.
		Examiner Name	Nguyen, Jimmy H.
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b> <b>(\$)</b> <b>1130.00</b>		Group Art Unit	2673
		New Attorney Docket No. A202 1050.1	

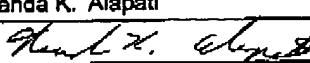
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Deposit Account	Deposit Account Number <b>09-0528</b>	Deposit Account Name <b>Womble Carlyle Sandridge &amp; Rice</b>
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Charge fee(s) indicated below	<input type="checkbox"/>	Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.18 and 1.17	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Credit any overpayments

**FEES CALCULATION****4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting Publication Of Sir After Examiner Action	
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month	450.00
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,690	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2160	2255	1080	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal	
1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	500	2452	250	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,500	2453	750	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	780	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	790.00
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) Minus 1 month extension fee already paid of \$110.00 - (\$110.00)\*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid Total: (\$ 1130.00)

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